

Concrete ships suggest the ocean-going skyscraper.

To do any real good that daylight has to be used, not saved.

To lend to the government is to give to yourself and to posterity.

Germany has used every kind of frightfulness except jazz music.

Germany complains to Russia about the violation of the peace treaty. It is to laugh.

Life grows more complicated. A censor for the government censor department is suggested.

German efficiency ought to devote itself not to devising a fly swatter that will swat a fly 76 miles away.

The shortage of farm labor in England is another example of the necessity for hands across the sea.

Turkeys are said to be sure death to the boll weevil, and Thanksgiving is almost sure death to turkeys.

You'll simply have to give up calling people "poor fish" now that the salmon crop has totaled up to \$25,000,000.

An English actress declares that her husband drives her to work; but she adds that he is a taxicab chauffeur.

German soldiers brought across from the eastern front find that it's not rabbit hunting that they are up against.

We haven't seen the German casualty list, but we are willing to bet that none of the Hohenzollern boys are on it.

After this war America will welcome no immigrants who do not come resolved wholeheartedly to be Americans.

Most of the people who are talking peace now would be satisfied with the kind of peace that victory for Germany would give.

It's queer that one can be fined for killing a song bird, but can't be fined for owning a cat that kills any number of song birds.

The American who wants to help will find a way; and the selfish and unpatriotic must be forced to help whether they want to or not.

They are still talking about punishing the fellows who violate orders of the various conservation agencies. But if they would talk less and act more, there would be fewer violations.

Some St. Louis guy has invented a new indoor sport for women, but since the game is not played in the kitchen with a frying pan or rolling pin, we doubt that it will help very much to win the war.

In 1914 the word "moratorium" proved that it is worth while to own a dictionary. And now "angaria" and "angary" and "droit d'angarie" are doing their part to make the dictionary business profitable.

The Germans are reported as convinced that the use of gas is "inhuman" in spite of the fact that they started it. If they had some ships on the seas they might be expected to discover that the submarine warfare also is inhuman.

The greatest objection to the German language is the manner in which the Hohenzollern crowd have been missing it.

Wouldn't it be a lot of satisfaction to us if General Pershing's army should prove the straw that breaks the Hun camel's back?

The young housewife who used to give us her alibi her youth and inexperience, doesn't need one now if her husband is patriotic enough to "lay" it on the new flour.

And if you are sending the soldiers a book with a sequel, don't keep the boys in suspense. Send the sequel, too.

The big job for our American secret service men is to hear the crackle when a German plot is laid and thereby prevent its hatching.

The Frenchmen can do as they please with the names of their own towns, of course, but it is difficult to escape the feeling that St. Paul is a silly way of spelling St. Paul.

As time passes the mystery deepens as to how the busy Bernstorff managed to acquire so much reputation as a society dandy.

Discussions on what would happen if Germany should win are becoming as persistent and profitless as "Who started the war?"

Giving away our old clothes to the Belgians will not get us into heaven, but it will help those much enduring and heroic people under their present hard conditions.

Comparisons of profiteers to Judas are hardly fair, as the latter eventually developed symptoms of remorse and hanged off.

Admission that eggs are resold seven times before they reach consumers is some sort of explanation of some conditions.

LABOR NOTES OF INTEREST

General News Gathered From All Parts of the World, and Condensed.

THREE-YEAR SCALE SIGNED

Chicago Carpenters' District Council and Employers in Agreement—Alarming Shortage of Farm Labor in Virginia.

Announcement was made that the Chicago carpenters' district council, through its arbitration board, has signed a three-year agreement with the Carpenter Contractors' association. It will terminate June 1, 1921. The wage scale will be 80 cents an hour. The present scale is 70 cents. The outside carpenters, employed on building construction, have a membership of 14,000. The arbitration board of the millmen also signed an agreement with the will owners for three years, with a wage scale of 50 cents for the first year, 55 cents for the second, 60 cents for the third, and an eight-hour day. The present day is eight and one-half hours.

In an effort to stem the flow of valuable and much-needed Virginia farm labor into the army through the draft, Governor Davis of Virginia has forwarded a letter to Provost Marshal General E. H. Crowder asking that some steps be taken to relieve the situation. The governor states that unless prompt and effective means of relief are had there will be a great shortage of crops produced in the state this year.

England and France have gone even further than the restoration of old labor standards. They are planning new systems of continuation schools and additional opportunities for industrial education. Part-time school attendance of boys and girls now exempt from compulsory attendance laws will be required. In England it is recommended that the school-leaving age be raised to fourteen years without exemptions and that all other young people under eighteen be enrolled in part-time classes. France proposes to require part-time attendance of girls under eighteen and boys under twenty, after they finish the prescribed number of years of full attendance.

The plumbers of Lancaster, Pa., after a three years' struggle to obtain an advance of wages, have at last been successful. The new scale accepted by the master plumbers giving the men 60 cents an hour, an advance of 15 cents. The advance was granted to keep many of the men from going to Hog Island to work.

Stamford (Conn.) Sheet Metal Workers' union has secured a wage increase of 45 cents a day. The union has an agreement with employers which does not expire until June 1 next, but the employers accepted the claim that continued increase in the cost of living made a higher rate necessary.

One hundred and fifty clay workers at the plant of the Robinson Clay Products company, near New Philadelphia, walked out. Company officials said they had received no demands from the men. Clay miners employed by the company continued to work.

The mines of the Georges Creek and Upper Potomac (Md.) coal fields were tied up as the result of a strike of 6,000 men. The men want better working conditions. Recognition of the miners' union was one of the principal demands.

East St. Louis (Ill.) organized merchants accepted an arbitration suggestion of the Retail Clerks' union, which has been on strike since last June to enforce a 20 per cent wage increase and nine o'clock closing on Saturday nights.

Urgent calls have been sent out by the anthracite coal operators for more mine workers in an effort to increase the present army of 153,000 men up to the normal force of 1915, when there were 177,000 mine workers in the regions.

Nine states have adopted constitutional amendments for the statewide recall and are in the order of adoption as follows: Oregon, Colorado, Arizona, California, Nevada, Washington, Michigan, Kansas and Louisiana.

Fines of \$100 to \$1,000 may be imposed at Winnipeg, Canada, on barbers who use eggs for shampoo. It takes three eggs to prepare a shampoo, and yolks are wasted.

Professor Baldwin of the Michigan Agricultural college is of the opinion that women can assist production by relieving men in cities rather than themselves working on farms.

Policemen and street car conductors in Munich, Germany, are provided with protectors which they may attach to the dangerous end of women's hats.

Two young girls were fined \$5 each at a Midland (Eng.) court for altering their birth certificates in order to be employed at larger salaries.

Experimenters in New Zealand have succeeded in producing pig iron on a commercial scale from iron sands found in that country.

Of the 100,000 members of the British National Union of Railwaymen now serving with the forces more than 8,000 have been killed.

Employment offices to provide positions for women have been opened in 13 cities by the United States employment service.

WORKERS TO SHARE PROFITS

National Cash Register Company Makes Definite Announcement—Other Labor News.

Five thousand employees of the National Cash Register company at Dayton, O., were agreeably surprised when they were told they will be placed upon a profit-sharing basis. While the percentage they will be given has not been announced President Patterson has announced his general purpose to make his employees his partners. The profit-sharing principle was first tried out by this company the first of last year when it was applied to 35 department heads.

Five thousand employees of the Harlan plant of the Bethlehem Shipbuilding corporation, acting on their own initiative at a Liberty loan meeting called by themselves, pledged a subscription of \$250,000 to the loan campaign. They have fixed two weeks as the limit when all of the money must be subscribed.

A 15 per cent increase in wages recently became effective for 200,000 workers of the United States Steel corporation plant. It was their sixth increase in two years. The company's pay roll is increased \$45,000,000 thereby. The company took that means to increase production.

Reports of labor shortages in the shipyards are exaggerated. Chairman Hurley of the shipping board is told in a letter from William E. Hall, national director of the public service reserve, who said more than 200,000 mechanics have been enrolled for shipyard work.

Our last census shows 522 different vocations, but there are really 900 occupations. In America 100 occupations are beyond the reach of the man without a high school and technical training. There are 15 different types of engineering.

With the consent of the union concerned, a small number of Chinese seamen who were temporarily unable to follow their usual vocation were employed mending roads in Berkshire, England, and were paid the full trade union rates.

Sacramento (Cal.) Typographical union's new wage scale for newspaper members provides for a work-day of seven and a half hours and an increase of 50 cents a day. The rates are now \$31.50 for day work and \$34.50 for night work.

The Master Painters and Decorators' association of Boston granted the demands of the union house painters for \$6 a day for one class and \$6.40 for another class. The men had been on strike about two weeks.

After a three-year fight, the New York Dock and Pier Carpenters' union has secured an eight-hour contract with the Dockbuilding Contractors' association. Minimum wages shall be 62½ cents an hour.

Nine-tenths of the 240,000 accidents that occurred in Pennsylvania last year were preventable, according to Harry A. Mackey, chairman of the workmen's compensation board.

Plasterers' laborers at Toronto have settled with their employers for a rate of 50 cents an hour, time and one-half for overtime, and will receive their wages every week.

Miss Hendricka Vander Filer is now in this country for the purpose of raising \$1,000,000 to build a garden village near Antwerp to shelter Belgian widows and orphans.

The Russian miner produces from 10,000 to 12,000 puds (a pud is 40 pounds) coal to 28,000 to 30,000 puds produced in the same time by the American miner.

The cost of living in Germany is increasing at the rate of 42 per cent a year, requiring the average German family to go into debt for the necessities of life.

The Washington state public service commission has refused the request of the Puget Sound Traction, Light and Power company to employ woman conductors.

Women collectors have been put to work by the New York Gas company in Flushing, and the company is considering employing women as meter readers.

There was a total of 17,557 accidents in Montana for 30 months covering the operation of the workmen's compensation law, reports the state accident board.

Women who are able to qualify as draftsmen will be employed as ship draftsmen by the United States navy. Their pay will range from \$4 to \$6.38 a day.

The working classes in the cities of Russia are earning enormous wages, ranging from 600 to 1,000 per cent of their earnings in normal times.

Almost simultaneously with the organization of the firemen, Joplin (Mo.) city council raised wages of these municipal employees.

A dispute in the Dublin (Ireland) printing trade has been amicably settled, both parties having agreed to the terms of the lord mayor's award.

Many of the United States airplane plants are employing women as forewomen and their efficiency is claimed to be far better than the men.

It has been decided by the British labor party to contest Boofe, Bonar Law's seat, at the next general election.

Carpenters at Scranton, Pa., have secured a wage increase of 10 cents an hour.

New York state prisoners are being utilized to saw firewood for next winter.

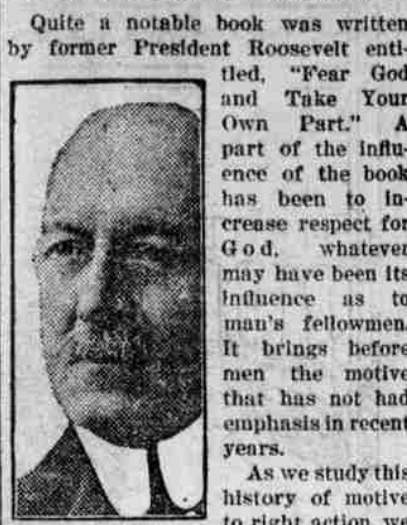
German peasant women in harness are now doing the same work as horses.

A Berlin housewife now has to use 56 different cards when she goes shopping.

Fear God

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TEXT—Fear him which after he hath killed hath power to cast into hell: yea, I say unto you, fear him.—Luke 12:5



Quite a notable book was written by former President Roosevelt entitled, "Fear God and Take Your Own Part." A part of the influence of the book has been to increase respect for God, whatever may have been its influence as to man's fellowmen. It brings before men the motive that has not had emphasis in recent years.

As we study this history of motive to right action, we find that sometimes it is gratitude, sometimes love, sometimes duty, sometimes prudence, sometimes recognition of man's sonship to God; but here comes the motive of fear, and in these days when men's hearts are failing them for fear, it is a motive that should receive some consideration without impatience. Some of the motives referred to above, and which seem to have made the motive of fear for a long time almost obsolete, have according to the judgment of many gone into the discard. As we find certain theories as to mankind in its closer brotherhood and assumed sonship to God being great delusions, we may ask whether, after all, the motive of fear may yet have an occasion for use.

Should We Fear God?

Let it be fully considered at once that the fear of the Lord as presented in the Scriptures is not chiefly an emotion produced by threatened evils, but a reverence of God and as a motive it should operate along the lines of respect for God because he is holy and reverent. The fear of pain connected with losing the favor or friendship of God is in place, too, but the moment that is admitted there is admission of fear of another kind—fear as it is defined, "an emotion excited by threatening evil or impending pain, accompanied by a desire to avoid or escape it." There is a place for this kind of fear of God in connection with religious experience, and that motive should have more recognition than in the past. Why is this so?

First, because God is back of every law, the violation of which brings suffering or pain. Law does not operate automatically. No evil resulting from violated law is a blind thing; it is the result of infinite wisdom and intelligent provision. God is behind every law.

Secondly, there are the clearest teachings in the Word of God that evil will be punished by God. From the moment it was said: "In the day thou eatest thereof, thou shalt surely die," to the present moment, sin has been punished. It is specifically said: "The Lord shall reward the doer of evil according to his wickedness." "The face of the Lord is against them who do evil, to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth." God says, "I will punish the world for their evil and the wicked for their iniquities." "I myself will fight against thee with an outstretched hand, and with a strong arm, even in anger and in great wrath." Several of the parables of the New Testament teach the retributive wrath of God. It is God the judge who will say in the great judgment day: "Depart from me ye that work in iniquity."

And, thirdly, the thought should be carried to the hereafter. Men are facing the hereafter these days as not before. More people have died in the last three years than any three years preceding, possibly excepting some periods in the history of the world in a time of pestilence. Millions are slain on the battlefield, other millions die in war-stricken countries by starvation, and other hundreds of thousands suffer violent death. What of the future world as we contemplate the multitudes sweeping into it?

No Apology for "Hell."

When Jesus was speaking to his disciples he did not make any apology when he said "hell." He meant the abode of the wicked in the other world. The disciples were to fear the God who could cast both body and soul into hell, but they were not to fear man, who could only kill the body.

The burning city of destruction was a good place to leave, and Bunyan's pilgrim left it as rapidly as he could. We might ask, "Who in these days fears the pain and hopelessness of hell?" But the great fact is, hell remains, and the Word of God is plain as to those who will fall into it.

PECULIARITY OF LOST HAND

That He Should Be Able to Feel It Alternately Open and Close Puzzles Soldier.

A British soldier writes: Most people, I think, know that when a person has lost a limb, that person still retains the "sense," or feeling, of the missing limb. As a case in point, I might mention that a friend of mine, who had lost a leg in the war, in an unthinking moment took a step on the missing leg and came to grief. I myself had the misfortune to lose my left hand on the Messines ridge last June, and all the pain I have suffered from the wound has been in the hand which I no longer possess. Now, the peculiar part of it all is that on alternate days the fingers of the missing hand open and close; that is to say, yesterday they were closed; today they are open. Tomorrow they will be closed again. Can this be explained? This change takes place during sleep, and once or twice, on restless nights, I have actually felt the change taking place. I was left-handed, and during the attack I carried my revolver in the missing hand. When the fingers are closed they are exactly in the same position as if they were still grasping the revolver. That I can understand, but why should they open on alternate days? The only explanation I can offer is that what remains of the hand after I was wounded was amputated exactly twenty-four hours later. Also, I was wounded somewhere about 4 o'clock in the morning, and was operated on about the same time the following morning, and the opening and closing of the fingers takes place about this time.

WHERE SOLDIERS ARE BETTER

Army Officer Explains the Benefits of Development of Physiological Resistance.

In an interview with Surgeon General Gorgas for the American Magazine, about the chances your boy has to come back alive, the author says, referring to another army officer for the moment:

"Major Crile said another thing which every mother and father ought to learn by heart. He said: 'The thing which affects a wounded man's chances more than almost anything else is physiological resistance. That is where the soldier puts it all over the civilian every time. When a man goes out from the worries, responsibilities, anxieties, and irritations of civil life to the peaceful pursuit of war—'

"He stopped and laughed. Then he went on seriously:

"I mean that! I've seen these sallow, pasty young clerks get out and turn into men! I've seen young chaps who were little more than flabby human jellyfish transformed by their life in the trenches into husky fellows that were grit clean through. They laughed at things which would have finished them completely before they went into the army. They had developed the biggest factor in a wounded man's chances—physiological resistance. And it was their life as soldiers that gave them this new possession."

Raising Goats in Honolulu.

The island of Kahoalawe is to be devoted to lowering the cost of living—if production of 10,000 goats for marketing will do it. The board of agriculture and forestry has authorized Chairman Arthur H. Rice to confer with the governor and land commissioner on a plan to withdraw the island from the forest reserve and offer it for lease. This has been done and Chairman Rice has placed in the hands of Deputy Attorney General Smith the duty of drawing up the necessary papers. Kahoalawe now produces goats and sand. It is believed that thousands of goats of marketable quality can be exported from the island and a chance is to be given for some enterprising rancher to become the goat king of the territory.—Honolulu Star-Bulletin.

New Name for 'Em.

The head of an East end household had no sooner arrived at home the other evening than he was sent forth with to see "what in the world" was the matter with the furnace. His derby hat encountered the top of the door leading into the basement, with the result that the hat received a good-sized "stove" in the front.

As he emerged from the basement after a tussle with the offending heating plant he was met with a shout of laughter by the six-year-old heir to the family fortune.

"Gee, mother!" exclaimed the boy. "Look! Dad's got a dimple in his hat."

How to Make a Service Flag.

Perhaps it is due to the familiar picture of Betsy Ross with the first American flag spread out upon her lap and George Washington and two of his friends looking on that gives us such a bias to the hand-made flag, but nevertheless, a sentiment attaches to it that belongs to no machine-made production. Very properly, we should feel about our service flag in this way. An 12x12-inch service flag may be made from one and a third yards of four-inch wide red ribbon, ten inches of white ribbon and enough blue to form the stars to which you are entitled. Cut the red ribbon into four pieces, two of 18 inches length and the other two so that they finish off four and a half inches, allowing for seams. Sew these strips together, inserting the white piece for the field. Then applique a blue star, or embroider it, according to desire. The white field will be varied in size in accordance with the number of stars used.



To drive a tank, handle the guns, and sweep over the enemy trenches, takes strong nerves, good rich blood, a good stomach, liver and kidneys. When the time comes, the man with red blood in his veins "is up and at it." He has iron nerves for hardships—an interest in his work grips him. That's the way you feel when you have taken a blood and nerve tonic, made up of Blood root, Golden Seal root, Stone root, Cherry bark, and rolled into a sugar-coated tablet and sold in sixty-cent vials by almost all druggists for past fifty years as Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. This tonic, in liquid or tablet form, is just what you need this spring to give you vim, vigor and vitality. At the flag end of a hard winter, no wonder you feel "run-down," blue, out of sorts. Try this "Medical Discovery" of Dr. Pierce's. Don't wait! To-day is the day to begin! A little "pep," and you laugh and live.

The best means to oil the machinery of the body, put tone into the liver, kidneys and circulatory system, is to first practice a good house-cleaning. I know of nothing better as a laxative than a vegetable pill made up of May-apple, leaves of aloe and jalap. This is commonly sold by all druggists as Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets, and should be taken at least once a week to clear the twenty-five feet of intestines. You will thus clean the system—expel the poisons and keep well. Now is the time to clean house. Give yourself a spring house cleaning.—Adv.

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SENTIMENT ALL RIGHT, BUT—

Youngster's Reason for Buying Carnations Knocked All Pathos Out of the Incident.

He was a poorly dressed youngster of perhaps fourteen years.

His trousers were shabby, and there was only one button on his thin coat. He wasn't tall enough to push through the crowd of women around the bargain counter where fresh carnations were on sale at two cents each.

Finally a saleswoman saw the grimy hand reaching out, with six moist pennies and a shiny dime in it, and in answer to his "I want eight, please, all colors," he received an assortment of pink, red and white flowers, all showing more or less the effect of rough handling.

A woman who stood near by built up a pretty little story about him. She was certain he was a little newsboy, and that the flowers were for his mother, who probably was ill in a free hospital.

Tenderly the child adjusted the tissue paper around the carnations, and a queer little smile curved his lips. "Are your pretty flowers for your mother, little boy?" asked the sentimental bystander.

"Naw," answered the youth with an impish grin, "they're for my girl."

Educating the Farmer.

The use of motion pictures in connection with lectures and demonstrations on agriculture is proving a great success in the province of Ontario, Canada. The average attendance at these meetings has increased greatly since their introduction in demonstrating the right and wrong way to get things done on a farm. More than 5,000 farmers have seen the "wood grading" film since November 1, while the average attendance per film from November 1 last varies from 50 to 5,000, according to the subject.

A Bonus.

Father—I tell you the man that marries my daughter wins a prize.
Chappie—Ah, rather a novel idea, don't you know.—Milestones.

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